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MONDAY, MARCH 6, 1899.

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THIRTY DOLLARS
PER ANNUM.

Banks.

THE
YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.
ESTABLISHED 1880.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....Yen 12,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....10,500,000
RESERVE FUND.....6,960,000

Head Office—YOKOHAMA.

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LONDON BANKS:
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LTD.
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HONGKONG AGENCY—INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Account at the rate of 3 per cent.
On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.
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S. CHOH, Agent.

Hongkong, 3rd October, 1898. [382]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND.....\$10,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROFTORS \$10,000,000

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For 3 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
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T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1899. [39]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 PER CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1898. [39]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....\$800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS.....\$800,000
RESERVE FUND.....\$40,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT
ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per
annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent.

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T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 24th May, 1898. [39]

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE
OF THE 13TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Shanghai Taels.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....5,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....2,500,000

Head Office—SHANGHAI.

Branches and Agencies—
CANTON HANKOW
CHEFOO PEKING
CHINKIANG SWATOW
FOOCHOW TIENTSIN

The Bank purchases and receives for collection Bills of Exchange drawn on the above places, and Sells Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers Payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH.
Advances made on approved securities.
Bills discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED on Deposits.

3 1/2 per Annum Fixed Deposits for 3 months.
4 1/2 " " 6 "
5 1/2 " " 12 "

E. W. RUTTER,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 15th October, 1898. [39]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

Authorised Capital.....\$1,000,000
Paid up Capital.....\$243,474

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

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Chief Manager.

G. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed 3 per cent.
On Current Account, Daily Balances 2 per cent. per annum.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1897. [38]

Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STEAMER CAPTAIN TO SAIL REMARK
LONDON Manila R. L. Haddock, R.N.R. About 9th March... Freight or Passage.
STRAITS, &c. Penang F. W. Vibert, R.N.R. About 10th March... Freight only.
JAPAN, &c. Tientsin G. H. C. Weston, R.N.R. About 13th March... Freight or Passage.
LONDON, &c. Paramatta C. T. Denny, R.N.R. Noon, 18th March... Freight or Passage.
JAPAN. Rokita S. de B. Loyer, R.N.R. 5 P.M., 18th March... Freight or Passage.
SHANGHAI Bengal S. Barcham About 18th March... Freight or Passage.
* (Passing through the Inland Sea). [See Special Advertisement.]

For Further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1899. [38]

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & CO., WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

LONDON 4, N. S. RANGOON STREET, E.C.
Telephone 73.
HONGKONG 15, QUEEN'S ROAD.
SHANGHAI 4, FOOCHEW ROAD.
SINGAPORE FINLAYSON GREEN.
GLASGOW 51, ENOCH'S SQUARE.

Agencies in all the principal ports of China, Japan, Borneo and the Philippines.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1899. [39]

D. C. L. OLD TOM GIN DRY GIN

SOLE AGENTS
H. PRICE & CO.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1899. [39]

CURDY

AT THE HONGKONG HOTEL

W. POWELL & CO.

WOOL SHAWLS

AND

TRAVELLING WRAPS.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1899. [37]

THE CLUB HOTEL, LIMITED.

No. 5-B, BUND, YOKOHAMA.

A FIRST-CLASS HOTEL Centrally situated, well furnished and supplied with excellent Cuisine and Good Wines.

The Company's Steam-launch attends the arrival and departure of all Mail Steamers.

Special attention paid to the Comfort of Visitors.

E. V. SIOEN, Manager.

Yokohama, 1st October, 1897. [36]

Intimations.

UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY, LIMITED.

SOLE AGENTS IN

HONGKONG, CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS,

FOR THE

UNITED ASBESTOS CO., LTD., LONDON,

CONTRACTORS TO H.M. GOVERNMENT.

MANUFACTURERS OF THE

Best Qualities of ASBESTOS GOODS and PACKINGS.

HYDRAULIC and SELF LUBRICATING PUMP PACKINGS of all kinds.

"VICTOR" METALLIC BOILER JOINTS.

ASBESTOS SALAMANDER BOILER COVERING COMPOSITION of the best qualities.

ESTIMATES given for every DESCRIPTION of WORK.

SUPERINTENDENT..... THOS. SKINNER.

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents.

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To-day's Advertisements.

BIJOU THEATRE.

RECLAMATION GROUND, WEST POINT.

SLOWLY BUT SURELY.

The Days are drawing to a close;

SLOWLY BUT SURELY.

The Time is approaching when D'ARC'S MARIONETTES will be in Hongkong but a

MEMORY OF THE PAST.

REMEMBER NEXT SATURDAY, the 11th March.

MATINEE NIGHT.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1899. [318a]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION. No. 92.

THE following Particulars of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on

MONDAY, the 13th day of March, 1899, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1899. [318a]

Particulars of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 13th day of March, 1899, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

Reference No.	Boundary Measurements	Locality	Square Feet.	Annual Rent	Upper Price.	Lower Price.
Ref. No. 64.	Ref. No. 64.	Ref. No. 64.	Ref. No. 64.	Ref. No. 64.	Ref. No. 64.	Ref. No. 64.
Ref. No. 64.	Ref. No. 64.	Ref. No. 64.	Ref. No. 64.	Ref. No. 64.	Ref. No. 64.	Ref. No. 64.

BANQUE DE L'INDO CHINE.

NOTICE:

FROM This Day Mr. LOUIS BERINDOAGUE takes charge of our Hongkong Branch during my absence from this colony.

J. G. F. AUGUSTIN,

Manager.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1899. [318a]

JUST OPENED.

Assorted Vinolia Soaps:

Vinolia Dentifrice.

Tooth Soap.

Tooth Powder.

Aspinall's Emanuel, Black, Green and White.

Also

Barnes & Co's. Assorted Jams.

H. RUTTENJEE,

13 & 15, D'Aguilar Street,

Hongkong, and

21 & 22, Elgin Road, Kowloon.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1899. [318a]

NOW READY.

HONGKONG RACES, 1899.

THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH'S"

ACCOUNT OF THE

1899 RACES.

with TABULATED STATEMENT OF PLACED

and UNPLACED PONIES, JOCKEYS and

OWNERS.

PRICE 50 CENTS.

Only a limited Number printed.

Send Orders early to

The Manager,

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" OFFICE,

Pedder's Hill.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1899.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,

BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT

SAID, FIUME AND TRIESTE.

(Taking Charge at through routes to the PERSIAN

GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT and

ADRIATIC PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship

"TRIESTE,"

Captain A. Mitte, will be despatched as above on

SATURDAY, the 11th instant, P.M.

Silk and Valuables are transhipped on

arrival at Bombay into an accelerated liner.

For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1899. [318a]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"M. K. L. M."

Captain Towell, will be despatched as above on

SATURDAY, the 18th instant, at Noon.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1899. [318a]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TAKOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"WENTWORTH."

Captain Dawson, will be despatched as above on

SUNDAY, the 12th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1899. [318a]

THE ARMY ESTIMATES.

Mr. G. Wyndham, (Parliamentary, under

Secretary of War) in introducing the Army

estimates said, that the Country must face

the fact that new levies of Empire place addi-

tional burdens on the Army. Mr. Wyndham

also stated that the Colonial troops, including

those at Wei-hu-wei, now number 31,991.

To-day's Advertisement.

A SOOTH CONCERT

will be given in the THEATRE ROYAL,

on SATURDAY, the 25th March, 1899, at 9 P.M.

Under the Patronage of the ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY,

(Particulars later.)

Hongkong, 6th March, 1899. [318a]

INTIMATION.

A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED.

IMPORTERS OF HIGH-CLASS

SHERRIES.

per doz. Case.

B.—SUPERIOR PALE DRY,

dinner wine, Green Seal

Capsule \$10.80

C.—MANZANILLA, PALE

NATURAL SHERRY,

White Capsule 12.00

C.—SUPERIOR OLD DRY,

PALE NATURAL

SHERRY, Red Seal Cap-

sule 12.00

D.—VERY SUPERIOR OLD

PALE DRY, choice old

wine, White Seal Cap-

sule 14.40

E.—EXTRA SUPERIOR OLD

PALE DRY, very finest

quality, Black Seal Cap-

sule (Old Bottled) 20.40

B., C., and C. are excellent dinner Wines and suitable for invalids and delicate stomachs. D. and E. are after-dinner Wines of a very superior vintage. All are true Xeres Wines.

Sample bottles and smaller quantities will be supplied at proportionate wholesale rates.

We only guarantee our Wines and

Spirits to be genuine when bought

direct from us in the Colony or from

our authorised Agents at the Coast

Ports.

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THE WAR IN THE PHILIPPINES.

MANILA, February 28th, 1899.

Things here are pretty much the same since my last despatch. Only occasional firing is reported from the front in the shape of independent discharges from rebel sharpshooters and the return fire by the Americans. It should be borne in mind that the "Mouser rifle," with which the natives are armed, fires a greater distance than the Springfield and they seem to be aware of this, for in the direction of San Pedro Macati their sharpshooters have kept up a continual pot-shot game discharging their guns on the American lines at a range of over two thousand yards, thus making the American return fire of very little effect. This is somewhat worrying the Americans, for several men have been wounded by this means.

The recent fires in town have brought up a lot of complications with regard to the insurance of the properties. The insurance agencies have been besieged by claimants, of course, the policies do not provide any liability in case of war and if a state of warfare is declared to exist then the U.S. Government, having assumed responsibility for preserving law and order, will be liable. However, these questions are of great importance and will have to be decided by experienced tribunals.

The transport *Pennsylvania* left on Sunday with a battalion of the 33rd Infantry on the island of Cebu, which lies to the east of Negros. No resistance is expected, and by this time the "Stars and Stripes" will be flying over the third port in the Philippines.

The cruisers *Charleston* and *Concord* also sailed out of the bay. It is reported that they were sent as patrols along the coast to put a stop to filibustering.

Apparently, the Washington Government has decided upon the annexation, temporarily or otherwise, of the island of Negros. Instruction has been received to send a battalion of the California to the island and they will leave by the *St. Paul* to-morrow. It is rumoured that Col. Smith is to be Military Governor. The commissioners who have been here will return by the same boat.

There still appears to be a number of inhabitants who seem to be opposed to American rule, for the *La Libertad* a paper published in the capital of Negros in a leading article recently says:—

"If we are to be ready in the future for all things, it is necessary that at the same time that we are dedicating all our energies to consolidate our actual political situation, we should also attend to our economical future which awaits us, giving the importance which our country has acquired in the commercial world. Before long it will undoubtedly occupy a prominent place among the powers who desire to have a preponderance in the Far East. Our geographical situation awake avaricious feelings amongst the nations who desire to be the arbiters of the commercial destinies of the countries situated in this part of the world, and as this is so it is necessary that we get ready for the fight, preparing our country for all that may happen so that these nations may not be allowed to absorb all our riches, leaving us reduced in the end to being mere tributaries of theirs. For, if things ended so, we should not have made much by the trouble we have had to obtain our liberty. We must make up our mind as soon as the political horizon is clear. Foreign nations will come and inundate us with all kinds of enterprises, industrial and agricultural, and in the case of a fight for preponderance, the strongest always wins in the end and would get monopolies with all their fatal consequences. Without going further, America, the nation with which we are actually having diplomatic relations at present, on account of the amicable relations which we have with her, will undoubtedly come out the most favoured in the enterprises which are stated here. In this powerful nation, there is capital and to spare, if brought to this country would give a good return. If our country is inundated with foreign capital which will monopolise our principal products what future can we expect? A very dark one. It will be economical annexation of Philippines by a foreign nation. Let us reconstitute our country with our own enterprise, as much in economics as in political. Let us defend ourselves against all foreign pressure which would tend to absorb the nation's life. Let the capitalists wake up who are in this country, form associations and start all kinds of industries. Let us exploit the riches of our country, let us create new industries till now unknown in this country and for which we have here the material. Do not let us sleep on our laurels, there is still much to do so that we may arrive at the heights to which we aspire."

March 1st.

There has been some fighting in the San Pedro division this morning. At the time of writing very meagre details have been received. The gunboat *Léger de l'Est* went up the river and fired about 25 shots into the brush. The shots must have lodged in the vicinity of a nest of Filipinos, for they kept up a continuous fire from both banks, the rapid fire guns on the gunboat were then put into operation and soon quieted them.

Latest advice from Cebu are to the effect that affairs in the town are fairly satisfactory, the inhabitants being in favour of peace, but further inland the natives are in favour of resisting the Americans should they advance. Food supplies in all the southern islands are scarce and this will probably have the effect of quietening the men.

PEKING NOTES.

The Peking University has no less than 100 young men, mostly M.A.'s and licentiates, who are divided into classes for the study of English, French, German, Japanese, and Russian. Since the realisation of this important reform project of the Emperor Kuang Hsu about two months ago, no less than two high Ministers of the Empress Dowager's Court have denounced the University in strong terms, namely Chi Hain (Manchu), President of the Board of Rites, and Hall Fu (Chinese), President of the Board of War. Although the Empress Dowager is inclined to make these denunciations a pretext for closing up the University, some of her more politic advisers such as Jung Lu and Prince Ching are strongly advising her to refrain from making herself still more obnoxious to her people and the Foreign Ministers by such a step. The Empress Dowager is evidently preparing to make another grand *coup d'état*. It will be remembered that soon after the *coup d'état* of September last she caused the raising of a bodyguard of 10,000 young Tartars for her protection, and this large force was organised, armed, and officered by the end of December last. In the middle of January last she suddenly ordered the secret raising of 3,000 more young Tartars, selected by Jung Lu. This force was organised and armed, with repeating rifles just before the last week of the last Chinese year. It is entirely officered by the Empress Dowager's kinsmen and these 3,000 men now act as a special guard around her quarters, wherever and may be residing, whether in Peking or at the *Palace*, in addition to the regular force of Horse and Foot Guards detailed for this duty by the Imperial Household Department. The majority of the people of Peking who sympathise with the Emperor in his present circumstances are afraid that his death will be announced within a month from now and it seems strange to them that the Foreign

Powers do nothing to protect him since he has been brought low for following them since his representation. —*N. C. D. News Co.*

CHONGMING, YUNNAN.

JANUARY 23TH.—THE FERMENT so general now is spreading to this province. A large number of the people are open sympathisers with the Szechuan rebel, Yü Man-tee. The *Katuo Hui*, who are in league with him are making their plans. The people expect trouble after the Chinese New Year. The mandarins have made some kind of preparation by enlisting a number of native men who would make a very poor show in any fight.

M. JONIN'S ESCORT.

You will have heard that some Annanites soldiers, forming part of the retinue of M. Jonin, were robbed, between this town and Suifu. The Brigadier-General of this place has reported the capture of five of the robbers, and the recovery of some of the loot. The passing of these soldiers through this province caused any amount of talk. The Chinese say there were disturbances at nearly every stopping-place. In this town several restaurants shut up shop from fear of trouble. The robbed soldiers, with true Oriental sagacity, reported to the authorities that the value of their losses was "more than ten thousand taels." The city magistrate told me this and also that the sub-prefect of Lukuan, in whose territory the robbery was committed, is very much alarmed about the affair.

DISTRUST OF FOREIGNERS.

There is a general distrust of foreigners all about. The rumours of the division of China among the Powers have taken deep root here. A translation from a French newspaper proposing the partition has been widely copied and has been the cause of much unrest.

A REBELLION.

has broken out in the part of Szechuan which bends down into the north of this province, and which is to the west of independent Lolo-land. The mandarin of Hui-lichou executed some leading aborigines. The followers of the dead men took their revenge in the usual style. A number of Chinese secret-societies have joined the aborigines and some pitched battles have been fought. Numbers have been killed on both sides. A military mandarin who has several times been engaged in suppressing the outbreaks of these aborigines asked me to make the proposition that England should buy this aboriginal territory from China. He assured me it would pay immensely seeing it produces gold and silver among other minerals. I wonder if there is another Klondyke hidden in the West of Szechuan!

THE FLEMING MURDER.

It is reported here that the official sent to enquire into the murder of Mr. Fleming found that the foreigner had given some hundreds of rifles to the aborigines of Kueichou and had incited them to rebel. For this he was killed.

Fancy a C.I.M. missionary giving away hundreds of rifles!

THE FRENCH RAILWAY COMMISSION.

The three geological members of the French Railway Commission were still at Yunnanfu when the last mail came. One of these gentle men, M. Monod, is a member of the famous family which has given so many protestant priests to France. His friendly interview with the English missionaries has been a pleasant experience.—*N. C. D. News Co.*

A QUESTION ABOUT INSURANCE.

The insurance agencies have had a number of claims presented to them in connection with the recent confusions in the town says the *Manila Times* of 25th ult. Representatives of the various companies are to hold a meeting on Monday to discuss whether these fires are or are not in the "war" class. If they are, then the policies (which specially exclude war risks, release the insurance companies from liability. If, however, the fires are not under the war category, that is to say, if a state of war does not exist, then the United States authorities may perhaps be held liable for having failed to preserve order. We are informed, that the Government did in fact admit liability and pay compensation in some cases arising out of the Pennsylvania strike a year or two back.

We learn that the London rate for insuring Manila property went up yesterday to 5 per cent, while American houses refuse to deal at any price.

THE NEWFOUNDLAND SHORE QUESTION.

Speaking of the Newfoundland question the Paris *Soleil* says: "We are prepared to admit that the complaints of the Newfoundlanders are well founded, although they appear to exaggerate the prejudice which the exercise of our rights may cause them. These rights, however, are indispensable and undisputed. We are the more justified in wishing to maintain them since the British attach the greatest importance to our renouncing them in their favour. The question of the French shore should be settled by an amicable arrangement between the two nations, and it will perhaps be settled in this way before long. But if we make some concessions to the British, they will have to treat with them on the basis of equitable compensation. Fortunately the conduct of our foreign policy is no longer in the weak hands of M. Hanotiaux. We have now a Ministry of Foreign Affairs which knows how to be firm and conciliatory in form. We are convinced that M. Delcasse will obtain from Great Britain in this difficult question of the French shore, an arrangement which, while putting an end to a false and irritating situation will safeguard the interests of our shipowners and our fishermen."—*Reuter.*

A HUGE MODEL OF VESUVIUS.

One of the greatest attractions of the Paris Exhibition in 1900 will, no doubt, be the reproduction of Vesuvius, the intention being to make a model 100 ft. high. It will include the whole panorama of the environs, comprising the famous remains of Pompeii, Herculaneum and Stabiae.—*Pompeii*, of course, will be represented very correctly, with all the latest excavations, while Herculaneum and Stabiae will be merely in outline.

Vesuvius will be made as lifelike as possible. The black valley of hard and uncooled lava, whose slopes of green vineyards and olive farms whence come the cooling and delicious Vesuvian wines and the liquid golden oil, will be faithfully reproduced. A novel feature will be a representation of the new railway up the mountain. This will be in working order. Donkeys with people on their backs will toll up the incline, and so, too, will men carrying sedan chairs, just as it all is in reality.

The programme of the new League is studiously comprehensive. Besides advocating the strengthening of the navy, the body will aim at furthering the development of the French mercantile marine, at promoting the construction of transatlantic liners that could be utilized in the event of war, at endowing France with cable communications with its colonies, at developing the canal system of the country, and the navigability of its rivers; and at enhancing the importance of the naval section of the Exhibition of 1900. Finally, the League proposes to organize public celebrations in honour of notable dates in French naval history, and to create associations intended to aid sailors.

CHARGES AGAINST LI HUNG-CHANG AND LIANG JU-MEI.

Some time last December, it will be recalled, the Empress Dowager suddenly sent the Vice-President of the Board of Revenue, Pu Liang, who is a kinsman of the Empress, to Shantung on a special mission, ostensibly to superintend the distribution of relief to the sufferers from famine and the Yellow River flood in that province, but, as it now seems, really to see what the Grand Secretary Li Hung-chang was doing and to find out the truth of certain charges of extravagance and reckless expenditure made against the Governor of Shantung in the latter's entertainment of Li Hung-chang and his numerous staff in that province. From an edict of the 27th ultimo it appears that Chang Ju-mei, the Governor of Shantung, has been accused of being an adept in flattery and currying favour with his superiors, and therefore fond also of being flattered and bribed, etc., in turn by his subordinates. The inventor claims that the new process will do away altogether with the striking off by the printing machine by simultaneously printing on both sides by means of the X-rays, of numerous sheets of sensitized paper, superposed in quires or blocks, newspapers, trade papers, etc., whatever their size may be. Composition, it is claimed will also be largely suppressed as the process will allow more handwriting or any kind of a writing machine to supply the place of the laborious and complicated work of typesetting. In technical language the invention is thus described: "It consists in a my-proof substance with which characters are to be traced upon a screen made of a sheet of paper, pasteboard, or tissue drawn over a framework. The screen is placed between the radiance center and the block of sheets to be printed upon. The characters alone stopping the X-rays on their way will prevent their acting on the sensitized emulsion spread over every sheet of the block, whereas the remainder of the screen being paper, will let the rays through as a plate glass does ordinary light. The inventor claims that by his process newspapers may be "run off" more rapidly than on the most improved printing press. —*World.*

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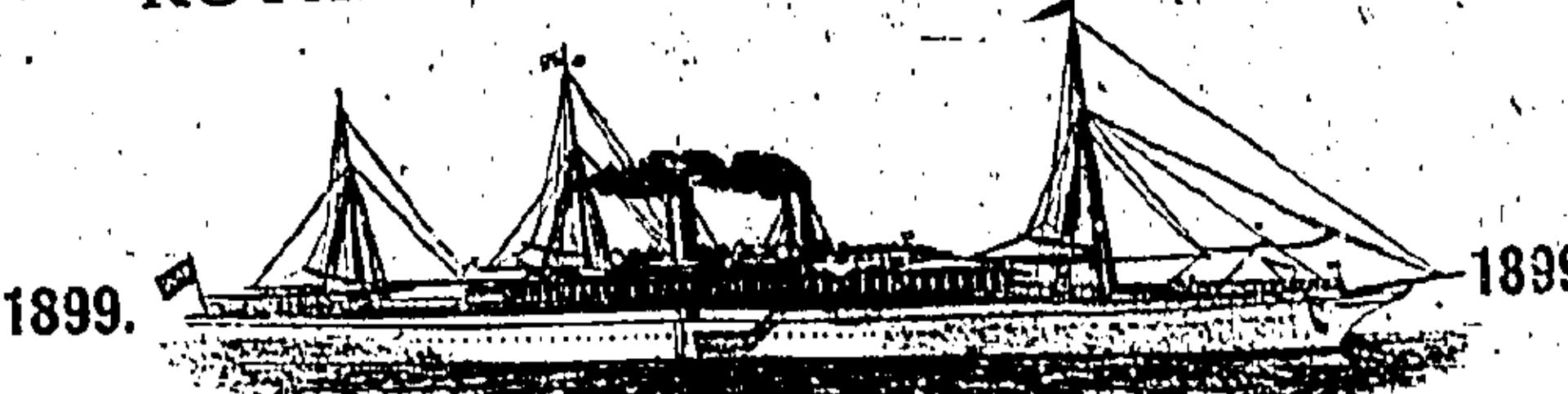
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